

## TOWNS OF LAS VEGAS

BY SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Las Vegas, N. M., Sept. 30.—One of the most inspiring meetings yet held in the campaign was held last night at the court house, by the dead-in-the-wool republicans. It was one of the most good natured meetings, too, sort of love feast, in which the speakers paid their compliments to the bolters of the republican principles, but who was still trying to masquerade under the old battle flag. Secundino Romero called the meeting to order and proposed a debate with Margarito Romero, as he had challenged him during the last minutes of the convention. Mr. Romero said he wanted to debate the records of the present administration with Margarito, and if he could prove that, any official was not honest, he proposed to help Margarito throw him down and out.

N. Segura was then elected president, Gregorio Gutierrez, Damiano Tafoya vice presidents, Ignacio Lopez, secretary, and Patricio Gonzales interpreter.

Mr. Gonzales then made a few remarks, in which he deplored the stormy session, and gave the treachery in the republican camp a lash. Felipe Baca y Garcia addressed the meeting, which was one of the largest held this campaign, the court house being filled. He made a red hot republican speech, as did Eugenio Gallegos and was "scraggy." He wanted to lash them with his tongue, then give them a polishing up with his fists, and he wanted to be one of the committee of five proposed to go down to Margarito's meeting and wipe them off the earth. Charles Spies enjoyed Mr. Gallegos' sentiments, but counseled deliberation, and to let them alone in their path of sin.

Felipe Baca y Garcia then made a motion that a committee of five be appointed to go down to Margarito and challenge him before the meeting to come to the large hall in the court house, and have a debate, by that way to find out who are republicans and who are not. The motion was put and the vote was close, but moderation prevailed, and trouble was not precipitated. Cisto Armijo, of Emplazado, next was called on and he remarked he had nothing to say, but talked an hour, and tired out two interpreters. He spoke of the re-election bills which had been handed out in the outlying precincts, and the false information they were giving out, and said that the convention yesterday will open their eyes, he thought, and they will see the game that is trying to be worked on the faithful.

Charles Spies next introduced P. A. Linn, one of the railroad boys, and in introducing him said Mr. Linn's friends, meaning the railroad boys, did more to carry the city of East Las Vegas for the republicans last election, than any other force. Mr. Linn made a rattling good speech. It was short and to the point. He said as had been done in past years he would do in the future. He told how the democrats had said last election, "To hell with the railroad men," and they then pulled all together, 400 strong, and elected the republican ticket, and they would do the same with the county ticket this fall.

Hon. Eugenio Romero next made a motion that a committee of three be appointed by the chair, on behalf of himself and the county commissioners, to confer with a committee of the Margarito republicans, they jointly to go before Judge Mills and get him to authorize a committee of investigation of the books and the paid warrants of the county treasurer. This motion was made after it was learned what Margarito was spouting about at his meeting, making irrational charges against the officials of the county. The convention, after expressing unanimous confidence in the administration of affairs, and saying that they did not care what Margarito said in his effort to get into office, voted down the motion, saying they were satisfied, and would pay no attention to the utterings of persons who know nothing about which they speak.

There must have been nearly 120 unionists, democrats and boys at the meeting held in Buffalo hall last night by Margarito Romero. Jose Ignacio Esquivel acted as chairman and there were, as usual, a number of speeches and vapors. Margarito, the chief totem, killed nearly an hour of time. He started off his tirade with "Glory to God, peace and good will to all men" and said he was free at last, as in the convention he could not do as he wanted to; did not have the liberty he desired. He said he wanted to get together with all republicans except those who held office or, in other words, have his way. He took a lot of liberties with figures, and tried to make some capital out of a few things he does not understand, as the books at the offices are kept by an expert system which he cannot master, and hence does not comprehend. He spoke about being turned down two years ago, and gave his nephews a little attention, saying that he wanted to consult them two years ago about the ticket, but they told him the ticket was named. William Frank and Benigno Romero, one of the brothers, and Sabine Lujan also made speeches. Benigno roasted the governor, and had a good time all by himself. Sabine paid his attention to the "glory" end of politics, leaving personalities alone.

About midnight it was decided to perfect the organization of the party to be known as the independent republicans, and cut loose from the old principles. They named a central committee as follows: Margarito Romero, chairman; Marcelino Martinez, secretary; Leandro Lucero, Rafael Gallegos, Ramon de Herrera and Juan Gallegos as other members. Margarito Romero, Sabino Lujan, George Chavez, Leandro Lucero and Atencio Roybal were made a committee on by laws, platform and resolutions. In the meantime the "no re-election" circular already sent out was to be the platform. They chose for an emblem an angel, with an American flag in hand, (ye gods) and adjourned about 1 o'clock. They also had a caucus this morning to find just "where they were at."

There were a large number of indictments brought in at the session of the Colfax county court at Raton last week, but many cases did not get up for trial. Some of the most important cases tried were as follows:

Napoleon B. Cantou was given eighteen months in the penitentiary for forgery. Mr. Cantou had been before the court once before and was let off during good behavior, and the sentence this time was made greater on that account. Canuto Esjinoso plead guilty of assault and battery and was given 100 days in the county jail. Reuben Davis plead guilty to carrying concealed weapons and was given thirty days in the county jail. Blas Trujillo was convicted of larceny and was given sixty days in the county jail, but sentence was suspended during good behavior. John Wallace, charged with abduction and assault with deadly weapon, plead not guilty, and Jose Ortega, also charged with abduction, the two jointly in one case, were put under \$3,000 bond and the case set for the second day of the next term. Charles J. Lowther was indicted for larceny and put under \$1,000 bonds. The case against Watin Jones for violating election laws was continued. In the case of Robert E. Lee and Jacob Schmeister, charged with larceny of cattle, the case was dismissed by consent of the territory. Robert Lee had been tried once before on the same count, but the jury failed to agree.

Mrs. T. F. Clay returned this afternoon from her visit at San Marcial. Caleb Anderson and wife returned with her, for a short visit here while en route to Oklahoma. Mrs. Holman returned this afternoon to Albuquerque, after a visit with her son and daughter. Mrs. Charles Watson and family left this afternoon for Chickasaw, Okla., on a visit to Mrs. Watson's mother. Mrs. C. C. McCallahan is expected here in the next few days to visit her mother, Mrs. Emily Lipsett. She is from Mishawaka, Ind.

The total enrollment in the public schools for September was 511, the same as for September last year, despite the slight decrease in the census just taken of the school children. Mrs. Edward Spordler will entertain a number of friends tomorrow afternoon. Dr. W. P. Mills will leave tonight for Washington, D. C., where he will make a visit of a month. Simon Bacharach returned yesterday from a trip around the county in the neighborhood of Corraon and Trementina, and he says everything is hot and dry in the country. T. B. McNair is on today's sick list. Rev. J. H. Bourne left today for Detroit to assume his new charge. He will be pastor of the Woodward Avenue Baptist church there. P. M. Clark and wife arrived here today from Albuquerque to try the climate and the baths at the Hot Springs. W. B. Twitchell returned this afternoon from an eighteen days' sojourn down in the state of Auhochan, Mexico, on mining business. He was on the Brazos river, and reports the outlook there fine. He was there for Prof. Frank Smith, of New York city.

Las Vegas, N. M., Oct. 1.—Mrs. R. Chacon, mother of E. Chacon, and her granddaughter, Henrietta, left today for Trinidad with Senator Barrels, for a visit. C. D. Chandler went up the road this afternoon to meet his wife, who is returning from a visit in Ohio and Michigan. J. L. Thompson had a diamond ring stolen from his house last evening, and a young fellow was arrested, but turned loose, as nothing could be proven. There was a number of delegates and old veterans en route to Washington today to the national encampment on No. 2. There was a car load from California and points along the road. A. C. Vorhees, after a couple of days in town, today returned to his home in Raton. George S. Robbins, secretary of the Green Consolidated Copper company, of New York, passed through here today en route to New York after a visit in Mexico. There will soon be a number of delegates appointed from this city and county to the irrigation congress which convenes at Colorado Springs, October 6. The mayor of each city may appoint two, the board of trade two, the county commissioners two, and the governor of the territory twenty. The local delegates have not yet been named, but soon will be. Las Vegas should have a good representation there, as other cities in the territory, for irrigation is what we want down this way. George McIntyre, who was head man at the Hot Springs bath house, has resigned and will accept a position at

Pond's ranch, to take the place there of E. H. Pupke, resigned. Orvil Edwards will be advanced to head man at the springs in the bath house, and Glent Ledford will take the place vacated by Mr. Edwards' promotion. There was snow on the Raton mountain Monday, and the main range and Spanish peaks were quite white. Mrs. A. H. Whitmore has been appointed a member of the Ladies' home committee, by the Ladies' Guild of the Episcopal church. Sir. Rabin returned yesterday evening from his trip to Gunnison, Colo., to attend Samuel Kohn, who has been sick. Mr. Kohn was much better when Mr. Rabin left.

Rev. A. P. Morrison went to Raton yesterday, where he will preach Sunday, returning here Monday for the Methodist conference. It is expected there will be forty ministers in town next week to attend the general conference, and Bishop Joyce, one of the most able men in the church, will also be present. R. F. Turner was last evening presented with a fine diamond stud, as evidence of friendship, from the clerks at Ilfeld's. Mr. Turner left his position there yesterday, and the pin was a splendid token of the wishes for success from his friends in the big department store.

Tomorrow is the Jewish New Year, and the faithful will close their stores this evening at 6 o'clock and keep them closed until 6 o'clock tomorrow evening. The weather report for Las Vegas for the month of September just passed is a pleasing record. The maximum temperature was 93, and the lowest 35. There was a total precipitation of 1.33. There were twenty-six clear days, three days partly cloudy, and one cloudy. The average maximum temperature was 78.76; the average minimum, 43.3, and the average mean, 61.03. Dave Rosenwald returned yesterday evening from his two weeks' vacation trip to points in Colorado. Some good missionary work is being done by the workers in the grand old party. A rock-ribbed democrat, a battle scarred worker, was added to the republican lists yesterday, and says he will henceforth be a good republican. He is from one of the outlying precincts. Jose Guadalupe Garcia has transferred to Jesus M. Quintana, 160 acres of land in precinct 13. Consideration, \$500. Mrs. T. Labadie and family left this morning to visit with grandpa Lorenzo Labadie at Santa Rosa. Archbishop Bourgade, of Santa Fe, arrived here this afternoon from Mora, where he has been holding confirmation services. The confirmation class at Mora was close to 1,000. The bishop will stop over here a day and then proceed to Rowe to hold confirmation services. Father Pouget accompanying him. Father Lo Guillou, of San Gerónimo, accompanied the bishop here from Mora. Judge A. H. Harlee arrived here today on No. 2 from Silver City, and will pay Chapman lodge an official visit tonight. Judge Harlee is the grand master Mason. W. C. Murney returned this afternoon to his home at Santa Fe, after a visit of a couple of days in the Meadow City. Word from Denver says Shan Rhodes, on whom an operation was performed, is better today. He was very low yesterday. J. N. Shirley, the boilermaker, left today for Salda, Colo., to attend his brother-in-law, L. W. Liscomb, who is quite ill. Juan Lucero, son of Leandro Lucero, left today for Santa Fe, where he will enter the Christian Brothers college. W. B. Twitchell will leave tomorrow for his new mining property near Glorieta. He has a force of men at work on the claims now, and feels he has a splendid mining outlook there. Santiago Ortiz brought Stephen Blair down from Clayton today, and he was committed to the asylum for the insane. Miss Laura Springer will entertain a number of friends Friday afternoon at cards. W. W. Rawlins is on the indisposed list today. Manuel Silva left today for Denver for a ten days' visit in search of pleasure and a visit to his brother. Capt. W. C. Reid returned this afternoon from his trip over to Roswell on legal business. A. P. Smithers, the postoffice inspector, passed through here today en route to Denver. Mrs. Shaff, of Santa Fe, known here, passed through on No. 2 en route to Chicago for a visit. J. T. Downing came in on No. 2 today from the south, where he has been in the interest of the Southwestern Building association. Capt. W. B. Fonville left today for Chicago for a ten days' enjoyment of the breezes from the lake. Mrs. John Butler, an ex-resident of this city, passed through today from Albuquerque, en route to the national encampment at Washington. Mrs. A. D. Whitson, of the same city, and the delegate from the Duke City W. R. C., accompanied her.

Las Vegas, N. M., Oct. 2.—Judge A. H. Harlee, a distinguished attorney at Silver City, and master Mason, made a very interesting talk to the local Chapman lodge last night on the condition of Masonry in the territory. Judge Harlee reported the lodge in a flourishing condition in the territory, and made a very interesting talk. The attendance at lodge was not as large as it would have been had it been a more favorable night as to weather and other attractions. The hallers are being set today in

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Engine 656 was turned out of the back shops yesterday, completely equipped with oil burners. She will run on the middle division.

O. D. Buzzell has returned from a vacation spent at Topeka and other eastern points, and resumed his duties in the local car department.

W. J. Hanna, with the water service of the Santa Fe at San Marcial, who has been spending a couple of days in the city, went to Sabinas this morning.

There is a scarcity of laborers on the new boiler and machine shop at Topeka, as well as in other regions where it would be possible to use laboring men. The pay is \$1.50 a day.

Upon arrival of building brick, tests were being made Monday in the Topeka physical laboratory with a view of determining that which is best for the purpose mentioned. Licks were used from different points along the line from Chasco, Ill., to Las Vegas, N. M.

H. C. Chapman, a switchman employed at the El Paso smelter, was painfully, but not seriously injured by being struck by the slag train. The train was passing through an archway. Chapman thought that he had moved far enough away, but was struck in the back and hurled several yards, against a side of the arch. His head was cut and a shoulder, the back and an arm were injured.

It is announced that the extension of the Santa Fe from Beaumont to San Augustine, Texas, has been completed and ready for operation. The new road will open up a country that has a large business and has been entirely without railroad facilities.

George R. Henderson, superintendent of motive power of the Santa Fe, has returned to Topeka from Cleburne, Texas. He said there was nothing in the rumor that the management of the railroad was to undergo another change and that John Player would come back to the Santa Fe as third vice president.

Perry Griffin, for many years connected with the passenger department of the Rock Island system, representing it at Pittsburg the past three years, has been promoted to the position of district passenger agent, with headquarters at Philadelphia. The appointment became effective October 1. Mr. Griffin is one of the best passenger agents in the country and has hosts of friends.

News reached El Paso of a fierce fight between trainmen of the Southern Pacific and hoboes at Lordsburg Monday afternoon. There were about fifteen men in the fight, but only two were injured. Bob Thompson, a passenger brakeman, had his right thumb dislocated and one of the hoboes received a blow on the head which rendered him unconscious, in which state he remained until the following morning. William Fitch confirmed the report of his resignation from the office of chief clerk in the general offices of the El Paso & Southwestern, at El Paso. "I resigned several weeks ago, but the company has not been able to get a man for the place," said Mr. Fitch, "so I have continued working. They have secured a Mr. Hawley from the Colorado & Southern, who will take the office of chief clerk and auditor combined. I cannot get away until he comes."

Train No. 9, the west bound Colorado flyer, made its last trip for the summer Monday evening, its service having been discontinued until next spring. The last No. 10 which will run this season made its trip yesterday morning. The train has been one of the finest and best scheduled as regards speed that ever has been sent over that part of the system. It has been a special favorite for the summer tourist business which could be greatly pleased by a trip across the hot country in the coolness of the night and there is every reason to believe that the Santa Fe transportation will see fit to give its patrons of that part of the line the same service one summer after another.

Architect Charles F. Whittlesey was a passenger for El Paso last evening. J. D. Notgrass, trainmaster on the New Mexico division, came down from Las Vegas last night. Col. R. E. Twitchell, assistant New Mexico solicitor for the Santa Fe, came in from Las Cruces yesterday and continued to Las Vegas this morning.

Brakeman Hamilton, running between La Junta and Albuquerque, on the flyer, will leave soon for a vacation in California. J. N. Shirley, the boilermaker, of Las Vegas, left for Salda, Colo., to attend his brother in law, L. W. Liscomb, who is quite ill. T. M. Ramsdell, general car inspector, has gone to Chicago to inspect the new refrigerator cars which the American Car and Foundry company is constructing for the Santa Fe. There are 1,250 in the order. G. R. Joughins, mechanical superintendent for the Santa Fe coast lines, has furnished to the Railway Age a detailed description with numerous illustrations of the new Santa Fe shops under process of construction at San Bernardino.

I. L. Hilbard, the popular heavy-weight superintendent of the Winslow division of the Santa Fe Pacific, and his able secretary, E. R. Goodrich, arrived from the west this morning in

Superintendent Hilbard's private car, attached to passenger train No. 2. As their presence in the city is incidental with that of the circus, they will attend.

D. C. Merritt, superintendent of the Pintch gas works in the Santa Fe yards at Los Angeles, who with his fireman, W. M. Barber, was burned by an explosion of gas last Tuesday, died of his injuries at the Sisters' hospital at Los Angeles. Barber is reported as doing well as could be expected and his chances for recovery are regarded as fair.

The \$47,000,000 of 4 per cent consolidated fifty-year gold bonds issued by the Chicago & Western Indiana railroad have been purchased by the First National bank of Chicago, acting for itself, the Illinois trust and savings bank and the Blair account. The mortgage underlying these bonds runs to the Illinois trust and savings bank as trustees, and it authorizes a total issue of \$50,000,000 of bonds. The Western Indiana is the Chicago terminus of the Wabash, Grand Trunk, Erie and Atchafalaya. The money from the bond issue will be used for track elevation and improvement in the city of Chicago.

Wanted—Information leading to the whereabouts of A. H. Wilkins, member of Needles lodge No. 450, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, Needles, Cal. Mr. Wilkins left Needles since January 1, 1902, and is supposed to have gone to Mexico. He has a knife with his name, O. R. C. emblem and child's picture engraved on it. Any information will be thankfully received by his mother, Mrs. H. M. Wilkins, Sanborn, O'Brien county, Iowa. Other papers please copy.

C. F. Lape, for years division master mechanic of the Southern California division of the Santa Fe, with headquarters in San Bernardino, and who during his residence here was one of San Bernardino's prominent citizens, has been appointed to the position of traveling manager for the Monarch Pneumatic Tool and Murphy Roof company, of St. Louis. He will enter upon his duties on October 15. The office brings with it an excellent salary. His work will consist of overseeing in general all of the company's offices throughout the middle states and the east.

It is announced that the new "In" freight depot of the Santa Fe at Kansas City is about half completed. An "out" station is to be built, but the job has advanced little beyond the blue print stage.

**STOPPED RUNAWAY.** Plucky Operator Boarded a Flying Locomotive Near Houston. "Stop 631; she's running wild," was the order sent out from the Southern Pacific dispatcher's office in Houston one night last week at 11 o'clock, says the El Paso Times.

No. 631 is an oil burning switch engine doing duty in the Southern Pacific yards. The engine was on the main line and in some unaccountable way took wings and started off. There was a rush to capture the runaway, but to no avail. Then the assistance of the telegraph was invoked. Chaney Junction was called and told to look out for the runaway. Instantly Operator Geer at the latter place was on the alert. He gave the signal and with Operator McQuordale and Yard Clerk Bruce Ferguson awaited the coming of the fugitive. The engine showed up in a few minutes going at the rate of twelve or fifteen miles an hour. Taking a running start Operator Geer boarded the engine and in a moment was in the cab. Grasping the lever he quickly brought the runaway to a standstill, and in a minute or two had her on a sidetrack. Just then an extra hove in sight from Blodgett and blew for the crossing, coming the direction that the wild machine had been racing few minutes before. Use of the wire and the quickness of Operator Geer and his fellow workmen had prevented a serious wreck.

**H. ALEXANDER MOVES UPWARD.** Is Now Assistant General Manager of the Santa Fe Central. Assistant general manager of the Santa Fe Central railway is now the title borne by Harry Alexander, of El Paso. He tendered his resignation to the El Paso-Rock Island from the position of terminal superintendent in El Paso a few days ago. It was accepted and he has entered upon his new duties. Mr. Alexander a few months ago accepted the position of terminal superintendent of the El Paso-Rock Island, having been promoted from traveling freight and passenger agent. It was only a short time afterward that he was tendered the position of division superintendent of the same road, but declined it for reasons which he declined to give out for publication, but it is now supposed that he had his eye on the position he now has. Harry Alexander commenced his railroad work when a boy in east Texas. His rise, though rapid, has been well merited. He came to the El Paso & Northeastern where it was first put into operation and has been with it since, gradually rising to higher positions with the company, until today when he takes a still higher position with another view, where under the care of General Manager Andrews he has brighter prospects than ever.